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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Late Treasurer, Selectmen, Treasurer and
Superintending School Committee,

OF THE

TOWN of CONWAY,

FOR THE

Fiscal Year, ending March 1, 1881.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

SAMUEL B. SHACKFORD, TREASURER.
IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF CONWAY, DR.

1880.	To Cash in Treasury as per last Report,	$4 152 14
	Apr. 27, of Selectmen, County Money,	158 14
	May, 25, Redemption Money, Eaton Homestead,	300 00
	June, 1. Selectmen, Money hired of G. P. Stilphin.	200 00
	Aug. 24. Albra Garland, Town Tax of 1880,	2 090 28
	" 28, School-House Tax, Dis't No. 8,	150 00
	Sept. 25, " " " " "	200 00
	Sept. 25, Town Tax of 1880,	1 627 12
	Oct. 26, " " "	625 00
		$9 502 68

PAYMENTS. PAID ARREARAGES.

By Paid Order to	J. A. Farrington services as auditor and witness fees,	8 85
"	J. H. Hobbs, services in G. S. Abbott suit,	21 00
"	W. H. Jacobs, Printing Town Reports,	35 00
"	Moses Randall, snowing bridge Dist. No. 8,	10 00
"	Moses A. Wilson, watering trough " " 1,	2 50
"	Cha's Lewis, stone furnished " " 1,	7 50
"	Barnes & Dow, watering trough Dist. No. 15,	2 50
"	" " use of wheels in " " 8,	2 50
"	R. O. Seavey, snowing Eastman's bridge,	8 00
"	J. B. Nash, services as Supervisor,	36 57
"	J. C. Ayer, abatement of Poll Tax for 1878,	1 70
"	W. E. Chase, board of Selectmen & Supervisors,	15 25
"	" " watering trough Dist. No. 4,	2 50
"	J. P. Sweat, Medical attendance Mrs Leavitt,	20 00

"	W. C. Seavey, abate't, money in Sav'gs Bank,	54 60
"	M. L. Morton, " " " "	16 69
"	G. W. Hill, " " " "	4 68
"	M. L. Rounds, " " " "	8 11
"	M. J. Chesley, " " " "	21 60
"	C. F. Morton, " " " "	16 69
"	H. E. Merrill, " " " "	39 00
"	J. E. Morrill, " " " "	9 10
"	C. W " " " " "	13 60
"	J. E. " " " " "	13 57
"	W. D. Sawyer, " " " "	3 90
"	D. E. Tower, " " " "	6 24
"	B. F. Clark, " " " "	18 00
"	J. A. Farrington, " " "	24 96
"	" " Surveying road & School hearing,	12 65
"	H. A. Dolloff, Labor on highway Dist. No. 9,	2 00
"	G. H. Floyd, watering trough Dist. No. 9,	2 50
		$441 76

PAID SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Paid 2	Orders to Mary E. Warren,	Dist.	No. 1,	59 50
2	" Joseph P. Pitman,	"	4,	115 50
2	" Joel E. Morrill,	"	4,	6 25
1	Caroline W. Morrill,	"	4,	3 74
1	J. A. Farrington,	"	4,	6 88
1	N. Faxon,	"	6,	58 35
1	Frank Lucy,	"	7,	40 50
1	James G. Martin,	"	8,	75 00
1	Wm. C. Seavey,	"	8,	22 40
1	D. E. Tower,	"	8,	2 56
1	Hodgdon & Bro's,	"	8,	91 91
1	J. G. Martin,	"	8,	59 04
1	V. C. Wilson,	"	8,	137 50
1	G. W. Hill,	"	9,	10 90
1	M. O. Hobbs,	"	10,	26 00
1	S. O. Mason,	"	13,	44 00
1	Mary Mason,	"	13,	52 50

1	S. B. Shackford,	"	13,	21 38
1	F M. Tucker,	"	14,	48 00
2	J. Wallis,	"	15,	109 25
1	E. C. Richardson,	"	15,	10 20
				$1 001 36

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Order to J. A. Barnes, Nails, Lumber and Labor on Hanson's bridge,	10 75
" Portland Machine Co., Iron Eastman's bridge,	38 07
" H. B. Cotton, Freight on Iron & Spikes,	3 16
" N. M. Perkins, Spikes for Eastman's bridge,	30 38
" Tibbett Bro's, Iron, " "	3 00
" Cha's A. Brotton, Labor, " "	87 50
" G. D. Barnes, " " "	61 25
" M. L. Bemis, " " "	50 74
" H. B. Cotton, Lumber furnished "	315 98
" O. D. Rose, Labor on highway, Dist. No. 10,	8 00
	$608 83

TOWN AND COUNTY PAUPER BILLS.

Paid Order F. S. Hayes, hay for Wm. Hammond,	8 55
" J. A. Barnes, wood for M. Eastman,	6 75
" J. Burnham, support of J. W. Peare & Wife,	10 00
" V. H. Potter, board of H. Leavitt,	18 43
" J. A. Carlton, clothing for G. F. Bedel,	11 00
	$54 73

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Order to W. H. Heath, bounty on 3 Hawks,	60
" H. B. Cotton, expenses & express bills,	5 60
" W. E. Chase, board of Selectmen,	21 50
" J. A. Farrington, surveying town lines & roads,	7 50
" L. D. Mills, bounty on 1 Fox killed 1879,	50
" O. Heath, bounty on 4 Foxes, " "	2 00
" M. A. Wilson, " 1 " " "	50
" W. M. Jefferson, abatement tax, money in S. Bank 1880,	18 80
" W. W. Philbrook, wood for Selectmen's office,	3 50

" W. F. Thompson, Sheriff G. S. Abbott case,	10 00
" W. H. Jacobs, printing tax bills,	5 00
" J. Hutchins & heirs of H. D. H. abatem't of tax,	9 00
" E. Smith, bounty on 1 bear,	10 00
	$94 50

PAID TOWN BONDS, NOTES AND INTEREST.

April 7, 1880. Paid Albert Drew's note,	1 000 00
Interest on above note.	33 50
May 14, 1880. Paid John H. Nickerson note,	1 000 00
Interest on above note.	143 25
July 26, 1880. Frank M. Hatch, in't on Snow note,	45 00
June 1, Town Bond No. 177,	500 00
" " 178,	1 000 00
" " 179,	300 00
" " 180,	200 00
" " 181,	300 00
	$ 4 521 75

PAID INTEREST ON BONDS.

Paid Interest on Bonds,	$333 00

PAID INTEREST ON P. & O. R. R. BONDS.

Interest due Jan'y 1, 1879,	9 00
" " July 1, "	15 00
" " Jan'y 1, 1880,	102 00
" " July 1, "	390 00
" " Jan'y 1, 1881,	36 00
	$552 00

PAID TOWN OFFICERS.

S. G. Norcross, S. S. Committee.	50 00

Summary November, 25 1880.

RECEIPTS.

To Amount of Cash Received,	$9 502 68

PAYMENTS

Paid Arrearages,	441 76
School Districts,	1 001 36
Highways and Bridges,	608 83
Town and County Pauper Bills,	54 73

Miscellaneous Bills,	94 50
Town Bonds, Notes and Interest,	4 521 75
Interest on Town Bonds,	333 00
" P. & O. R. R. Bonds,	552 00
Town Officers,	50 00
Cash to Selectmen,	1 844 75
	$9 502 68

SAMUEL B. SHACKFORD, TREASURER.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts and vouchers in support of the same, of Samuel B. Shackford deceased, late Treasurer of said town, and find them as above reported and properly entered in the Treasurer's Book.

C. W. Wilder,
Hugh McNorton. } Auditors.
Fred W. Morton.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

No. Scholars April 1,1880,	587.		
Real Estate,		Value,	479 232 00
Horses,	No. 501,	do	22 134 00
Oxen	do 214,	do	7 754 00
Cows	do 613,	do	11 490 00
Other Stock,	do 366,	do	5 186 00
Sheep,	do 487,	do	1 096 00
Swine taxed	do 13,	do	98 00
Carriages,		do	5 640 00
Money at Interest			41 548 00
Stock in public funds,			3 200 00
Stock in trade			22 024 00
Timber taked,			2 750 00
No. of Polls,		558	55 800 00
Total Valuation,			$657 052 00

Resident tax list,	11 750 80	
Log tax,	105 00	
Non-Resident tax list,	92 31	
" " Highway tax,	32 86	
Committed to Albra Garland for Collection,		$11 980 97

Rate of Money tax, $1 80 per $100.
" of Highway " ,64 " "

ACCOUNT WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Dis't. No. 1. Balance from last acc't,	14 47	
Proportion to the Dis't,	72 09	
" " Valuation,	62 65	
" " 38 Scholars,	74 48	223 69
Paid the Dis't,		128 50
Due the Dis't.		95 19

Dis't. No. 2. Balance from last acct.	2 89	
Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	30 39	
" " 17 Scholars,	33 32	138 69
Paid the Dist.		87 00
Due the Dist.		51 69
Dis't No. 3. Balance due from last acct,	86	
Proportion to the Dist,	72 09	
" " Valuation	4 82	
" " 11 Scholars,	21 56	99 33
Paid the District,		95 00
Bal. due,		4 33
Dist. No. 4. Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	110 28	
" " 63 Scholars,	123 48	305 85
Paid the Dist.		218 88
Bal. Due.		83 66
School-House tax in Dist. No. 4.		
Bal. due on tax of 1879,	12 73	
Dist. tax for 1880,	83 35	
Paid to Treasurer by Prudential Commit'e,	3 31	99 39
" abatements on tax for 1879,	26 07	
" " " " 1878,	1 23	
H. McNorton for deed,	70	
J. A. Farrington, for repairs,	22 75	
Building Committee,	44 00	
Abatements on tax 1880,	48	
Albra Garland fees for Collecting,	4 16	99 39
Dist. No. 5. Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	15 58	
" " 17 Scholars,	33 32	120 99
Paid the Dist.		117 00
Bal. due.		3 99
Dist. No. 6. Bal. from last acct.	16 63	

This, deducted from what the town is owing, leaves a balance against the town of $31,997 51

The selectmen have paid for the support of paupers:

Mrs. John Welch,	$106 05
Thomas J. Wentworth,	74 82
Bethana Wallace,	52 00
	$232 87

This is the whole amount paid for town paupers for the year 1876.

They have paid for County paupers:

Our old bill,	$48 00
Lydia Welch and Mrs. Hadley,	81 00
Mrs. James Bean,	68 71
Stephen Thurley,	65 00
Amelia Bean,	26 00
Mrs. Pickering,	12 50
Lizzie Hoyt,	30 90
James Nichols, Mrs. James Nichols and Sarah Thurley,	110 00
Mehitable Pray,	16 25
Transient paupers,	3 00
Richard J. Hutchings,	3 50
	$464 86

This amount has been paid or is now due from the County.

There has been paid for breaking roads for the winter 1875–6 more than the highway tax,	$648 49
Paid on roads and bridges more than highway tax,	457 60
The new road is not quite half completed; that part completed has been paid for to the amount of	203 75
There has been paid on old highway bills,	69 68
Paid for damage to parties on the highway,	36 50

Paid for damage by dogs,	43 00
Whole amount of abatements for the year, including the years from 1873 to 1876,	238 31

Expenses of town officers:

Paid Town Clerk,	65 00
Selectman J. L. Sanders,	151 50
Selectman J. H. Beacham,	119 50
Selectman J W. Folsom,	130 00
Selectmen's board,	154 25
Treasurer R. F. Stillings, and expenses,	47 25
Superintending School Committee,	131 05
Auditors,	30 00
	$878 58

The following bills have been paid:

William C. Fox, referee,	$51 75
Frank Weeks, legal services,	3 50
	$55 25

The following bills were contracted last year:

Samuel D. Quarles, legal services, Merrill case,	$256 00
Charles B. Gafney, execution, Merrill case,	134 27
L. S. Libbey, officer's fees,	26 30
G. W. M. Pitman, referee,	25 00
	$441 57

Paid for printing,	37 60
For stationery and blank books,	33 12
For office rent and wood,	3 00
	$73 72

There has been paid this year on old bills reported by the Examining Committee more than received,	$403 03

Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	90 06	
" " 33 Scholars,	64 68	243 46
Paid the Dist.		212 43
Bal. due.		31 03
Dist. No. 7, Balance from last acct.	20 35	
Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation	30 77	
" " 11 Scholars	21 56	144 77
Paid the Dist.		107 50
Bal. due,		37 27
Dist. No. 8, Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation	228 59	
" " 134 Scholars	262 64	563 32
Paid the Dist.		471 25
Bal. Due,		92 07
Dist. No. 9. Bal. from last acct.,	1 91	
Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	20 74	
" " 16 Scholars,	31 36	126 10
Paid the Dist.		98 16
Bal due.		27 94
Dist. No. 10. Bal. due from last acct.	1 03	
Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	16 66	
" " 23 Scholars,	45 08	134 86
Paid the District,		101 60
Bal. due.		33 26
Dist. No. 12. Bal. due from last acct.	18 65	
Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	21 68	
" " 16 Scholars,	31 36	143 78
Paid the Dist.		70 20
Bal due.		73 58

Dist. No. 13. Bal. due from last acct.	49 76	
Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	164 35	
" " 69 Scholars,	135 24	421 44
Paid the Dist.		122 88
Due the Dist.		298 56
Dist. No. 14. Bal. due from last acct.	12 07	
Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	96 44	
" " 41 Scholars,	80 36	260 96
Paid the District,		182 00
Bal. due.		78 96
Dist. No. 15. Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	37 21	
" " 36 Scholars	70 56	179 86
Paid the Dist.		188 10
Overdrawn.		8 24
Dist. No. 16, Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	44 36	
" " 53 Scholars,	103 88	220 33
Paid the Dist.		220 33
Dist. No. 19. Bal. from last acct.,	21 52	
Proportion to the Dist.	72 09	
" " Valuation,	13 22	
" " 9 Scholars,	17 64	124 47
Paid the Dist.		110 00
Bal. Due,		14 47

SUMMARY.

Total due from last account.	166 68	
School Tax assesseb,	2 963 50	
Liteary Fund divided,	155 72	
Dog Tax "	166 00	
District Tax in No. 4,	83 35	3 535 25
Paid the Districts Orders,	2 585 55	

" Abatements,	27 78	
" Collecting	4 16	2 617 49
	Due the Districts,	$917 76

SETTLEMENT WITH COLLCTORS,

David Wakefield Collector for 1874.		
Bal. due as per last report		8 05
Paid Town Treasurer.	5 35	
Abatements,	2 70	8 05
P. H. Potter Collector for 1876		
Bal. due as per last report		90 15
Paid Town Treasurer		51 50
Bal. due the town		$38 65
John Chase Collector for 1877		
Bal. due as per last report,		13 30
John Chase Collector for 1878.		
Bal. due as per last report	134 01	
Interest Collected	45 59	
		179 60
Deeds of Real Estate	172 59	
By P. G. F. & C. R. R. tax,	7 01	179 60
School-House tax, Dist. No. 4.		
John Chase, Collector 1878.		
Bal. due as per last report.		1 26
Paid Town Treasurer.		1 23
School-House tax Dist. No. 8.		
Albra Garland, Collector for 1879.		
Bal. due as per last report,		16 81
Paid Town Treasurer.		16 81.

School-House Tax, Dist. No. 13.
Albra Garland, Collector 1879.

Bal. due as per last report,		10 00
Paid Town Treasurer.		10 00

School-House Tax Dist. No. 7.
Albra Garland Collector 1880.

Tax list,		60 18
Paid Building Committee including fees for Coll.		60 18

School-House Tax Dist. No. 4.
Albra Garland, Coll. 1880.

Tax list,		83 35
Paid Town Treasurer,	70 00	
Abatements,	48	
Over paid on tax of 1879,	63	
Fees for Collecting,	4 16	75 27
Bal. uncollected.		8 08

School-House tax Dist. No. 8.
Albra Garland, Collector 1880.

Resident and Non-Resident tax list,		630 62
Paid Town Treasurer,	475 00	
" Building Committee,	100 00	
Abatements,	3 89	
Fees for Collecting,	31 53	610 42
Bal. uncollected.		20 20

Dist. tax No. 9, 1880. Albra Garland, Collector.

Tax list,		42 72
Paid Building Committee,	40 27	
Abatements,	1 44	
Fees for collecting,	2 13	43 84
Overpaid the Dist.		1 12

Albra Garland Collector. 1879.

Bal. due as per last report,		65 29

Paid Town Treasurer,	56 13	
Abatemeuts,	4 42	
Deed of Real Estate,	4 74	65 29
Albra Garland Collector 1880.		
Resident tax list,	11 855 80	
Non-Resident "	92 31	
" " Highway,	32 86	$11 980 97
Paid Treasurer,	11 770 58	
Abatements allowed,	40 89	
Fees for Collecting,	165 00	
Oliver House tax,	3 60	$11 980 07
	Bal. Due,	90

ACCT. WITH THE COUNTY OF CARROLL.

Bal due as per last report		138 84	
For support of Paupers to Mar. 1,		77 35	216 19
Cash April 20, 1880,	158 14		
Discount on bills rendered,	6 00		
Cash Oct. 20 1880,	11 00		175 14
	Balance due.		$41 05

ACCT. WITH THE STATE OF N. H.

Bal. due as per last report,	43 20	
Proportion of Literary Funds,	154 66	
" of Savings Bank tax,	401 36	
" of R. R. Tax,	4 70	
Paid Bounties,	52 40	
Cash for State tax,	1 444 00	$2 100 32
Received for Bounties,	43 80	
" Literary Fund,	154 66	
" Savings Bank tax.	401 36	
" R. R. tax.	4 70	
" Proportion State tax,	1 444 00	$2 048 52
	Bal. due.	$51 80

The Town holds Deeds for the following parcels of Real Estate.

Echo-House and lands,	247 72
Southern Intervale,	41 20
Geo. F. Hodgdon farm,	7 92
Eli Banfill farm,	23 14
½ Paper Mill,	25 99
J. P. Eaton, land,	4 31
James Nute, place,	5 92
Lorenzo Lamb, "	8 35
C. L. S. Whitaker, farm,	9 03
Asa Foster, lot,	10 00
58 Acre lot,	33 87
Abba Wentworth, place,	21 63
Ruth Seavey, "	4 93
Lot No. 2. right of J. W. Eastman,	4 07
Geo. Kenerson, place,	4 07
Gilbert " "	4 48
J. T. Randall, land, bal. of tax due,	29 76
S. E. Burnell,	9 78
Cha's H. Eastman, house,	4 20
Alonzo Barnes, place,	10 12
Edwin M. Chase, house & lot,	11 78
Alfred L. Sweat, " "	7 20
Sumner C. Eastman, " "	26 63
Hannah Rogers, " "	7 01
E. C. Richardson, " "	10 07
Land of Heirs of H. D. E. Hutchins,	26 20
R. E. Merrill, lot,	13 57
Leonard Whitney, homestead,	6 23
Walter L. Bryant, "	39 64
J. T. Randall Rye-field.	22 35
	$681 17

The above is exclusive of interest since date of sale.

Liabilities of the Town.

Bonds, due May 1, 1881,	3 150 00	
" " Jan'y 1, 1882,	1 400 00	
" " Nov 1, 1884,	100 00	$4 650 00
P. & O. R. R. Bonds Due 1891,		$21 600 00

Interest Due.

Uncalled for on P. & O. R. R. Bonds.	369 00	
Accrued Interest on same,	216 00	
" " Town Bonds,	62 00	$647 00

Due The School Districts.

Bal. of School Money unexpended,	917 76	
Literary Money,	154 66	$1 072 42

Assetts.

Due from Collector 1876,	38 65	
" " " 1877,	13 30	
" " " 1880,	90	
School-House tax Dist. No. 4,	8 08	
Real Estate Accounts,	681 17	
County of Carroll,	41 05	
State of N. H.	51 80	
J. C. Ela, tax,	39 47	
Estate of Oliver House,	3 60	
" Edwin Pease,	24 68	
Cash in hands of Treasurer.	616 08	$1 508 78

Summary.

Liabilities of Town in Bonds,	4 650 00
" " P. & O. R. R. Bonds	21 600 00
" " Interest,	647 00
School-Districts,	1 072 42
Total Liabilities.	$ 27 969 42
Assetts brought down,	1 508 78
Liabilities above assetts,	$26 460 64
" " as per last report,	27 989 96
Decrease of Liabilities,	$1 529 32
The present interest bearing debt is,	$26 250 00

By referring to the Treasurer's Reports, it will be seen that we have paid the past year in Town Bonds and Notes as follows,

Town Bonds,		2 300 00
Note and Interest	to A. Drew,	1 033 50
" "	to J. H. Nickerson,	1 143 25
" "	to Frank Carlton,	130 50
" "	to F. O. Snow,	1 545 00
2 Notes "	to Geo. Wakefield.	801 60
Reduction of debt in Bonds and Notes.		$6 953 85

We recommend appropriations as last year.

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel Hazleton,
Henry B. Cotton,
John A. Barnes, } Selectmen of Conway.

To C. W. Wilder, H. McNorton, and F. W. Morton, Auditors for the town of Conway for the fiscal year ending March 1, 1881. Agreeable to Chapter 40, Section 10, of the General Laws of the State of New Hampshire, we herewith submit a report of all our financial transactions for the past year together with our vouchers therefor.

Samuel Hazelton,
Henry B. Cotton,
John A. Barnes. } Selectmen of Conway.

Conway March 1, 1881.

We the Auditors of the town of Conway, for the year ending March 1, 1881, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly footed; we also find upon the files of the Selectmen, bills, receipts & petitions for abatements, as vouchers for all the items herein reported, as received and paid out,

C. W. Wilder,
Hugh McNorton.
Fred W. Morton. } Auditors.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. A. CARLTON, TREASURER.

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF CONWAY,

1880.			DR.
Nov. 29,	To	Cash on hand received of Selectmen,	$1844 75
Dec. 4,	"	of Selectmen, for Bounty-money,	
"	"	State New Hampshire,	43 80
		of Selectmen, support of County Paupers,	11 00
"	"	of Albra Garland, Collector, for School-houseTax, Dist. No. 4, 1880,	50 00
"	"	of Albra Garland, Collector, for School-house Tax, Dist. No. 8, 1880,	100 00
"	"	of Albra Garland, Collector, for State Tax for 1880,	1444 00
"	"	of Albra Garland, Collector, County Tax Receipt, 1880,	2117 30
"	"	of Albra Garland, Collector, Tax of 1880,	1625 00
Dec. 25,	"	of Selectmen, for Railroad Tax from State,	4 70
"	"	of Selectmen, for Savings Bank Tax from State	401 36
"	"	of Selectmen, for Literary Fund from State,	154 66
"	"	of Selectmen, for School-house Tax, Dist. No. 13, 1879,	10 00
"	"	of Selectmen, for Tax of 1880,	1379 87
Dec. 28,	"	of Selectmen, for School-house Tax, Dist. No. 8, 1879.	16 81
"	"	of Selectmen, for School-house Tax, Dist. No. 4, 1879,	20 00
"	"	of Selectmen, paid by John C. Chamberlin, Redemption-money,	11 00
1881.			
Jan. 19,	"	Paid by P. H. Potter, Tax for 1876,	51 50

Feb. 17,	To cash	paid by Albra Garland, Tax, 1879,	56 13
19,	"	" David Wakefield, " 1874,	5 35
"	"	" C. W. Wilder, Redemption-money, Levi J. Emerson's place,	15 98
"	"	Paid by C. W. Wilder, Taxes on J. L. Nute's place, redeemed,	5 70
'	"	Paid by C. W. Wilder, Redemption of A. J. Bishop's place,	6 00
"	"	Paid by C. W. Wilder, Redemption of Carter's place,	22 93
"	"	Paid by C. W. Wilder, Redemption of W. H. Ham's place,	10 50
"	"	Paid by C. W. Wilder, Redemption S. W. Thompson's farm,	160 24
"	"	Paid by C. W. Wilder, Redemption of J. C. Eastman's place,	107 97
"	"	Paid by C. W. Wilder, Redemption J. T. Randall's estate, for 1876,	172 44
"	"	Paid by C. W. Wilder, Redemption C. H. Osgood's place,	30 32
Feb. 24,	"	Paid by Selectmen, for old bridge plank sold,	4 00
"	"	Joseph P. Pitman, Repairs on School-house, Dist. No. 4,	3 31
"	"	John Chase, School-house Tax, for 1878, Dist. No. 4,	1 26
Feb. 25,	"	Albra Garland, School-house Tax, Dist. No. 8,	25 00
"	"	Albra Garland, Town Tax, 1880,	766 01
"	"	C. W. Wilder, money on hand, per last Report,	24 72
"	"	Paid by C. W. Wilder, part payment of Tax due on Ruth Seavey's place,	50 00
"	"	Paid by Albra Garland, Tax, 1880,	74 00
"	"	" " " "	22 00
Feb. 26,	"	Paid by C. W Wilder, Redemption of Sylvester Wright's House Tax, 1876,	20 14
"	"	Paid by C. W. Wilder, Redemption of Ward. H. Bean's House,	6 34
			$10,876 08

Payments Paid Arrearages.

Paid by	L. and J. H. Pitman, Medicine delivered to Mrs. Hawkins,	$1 50
"	J. A. Farrington, Execution and cost Tax, 1879,	18 34
"	Mrs. Solomon D. Pendexter, abatement of Tax on money in Savings Bank, 1879,	23 40
"	Dean Carby, snowing Saco and Swift River Bridges,	16 00
"	H. B. Cotton, Services of J. H. Hobbs and others,	25 00
"	V. H. Potter, Board of Herbert Leavitt,	5 50
"	William M. Jefferson, abatement of Tax on money in Savings Bank, 1879,	23 52
"	C. W. Wilder, Services as Auditor for the year ending March, 1880,	4 00
"	Edson C. Eastman, for Check-list, Feb. 3, 1880,	3 00
		$120 26

Paid School Districts.

Paid	1	Order to	Joshua Shirley,	Dist. No. 1,	$64 00
"	1	"	S. G. Norcross, Maps,	" 1,	5 00
"	1	"	Peter Wiley,	" 2,	87 00
"	1	"	V. H. Potter,	" 3,	95 00
"	1	"	J. A. Farrington,	" 4,	22 75
"	1	"	H. McNorton,	" 4,	00 70
"	1	"	S. G. Norcross, Maps,	" 4,	5 00
"	1	"	H. B. Cotton,	" 4,	44 00
"	1	"	Charles F. Morton,	" 4,	4 60
"	1	"	Martha S. Morton,	" 4,	4 60
"	3	"	Joseph P. Pitman,	" 4,	97 31
"	1	"	David E. Thompson,	" 5,	112 00
"	1	"	S. G. Norcross, Maps,	" 5,	5 00
"	2	"	Nathaniel Faxon,	" 6,	149 08
"	1	"	S. G. Norcross, Maps,	" 6,	5 00
"	1	"	Frank Lucy,	" 7,	62 00
"	1	"	S. G. Norcross, Maps,	" 7,	5 00
"	1	"	Lycurgus Pitman,	" 8,	119 50
"	1	"	William Jefferson,	" 8,	7 88
"	1	"	Mrs. Solomon D. Pendexter,	8,	9 60

Paid	1	Order to	S. G. Norcross, Maps,	Dist. No.	8,	5 00
"	1	"	M. E. Crawford.	"	8,	70 00
"	1	"	V. C. Wilson,	"	8,	137 50
"	2	"	John A. Barnes,	"	8,	411 16
"	1	"	Etta A. Hazelton,	"	9,	78 10
"	1	"	G. W. Hill,	"	9,	9 16
"	2	"	Melissa Banfield,	"	10,	75 60
"	1	"	N. J. Hall,	"	12,	48 00
"	1	"	Eugene Hill,	"	12,	22 20
"	1	"	S. G. Norcross, Maps,	"	13,	5 00
"	1	"	Henry Emerson,	"	14,	2 00
"	1	"	Chandler E. Chase,	"	14,	14 25
"	1	"	S. S. Osgood,	"	14,	112 75
"	1	"	S. G. Norcross, Maps,	"	14,	5 00
"	1	"	S. G. Norcross, "	"	15,	5 00
"	1	"	M. G. Sanett,	"	15,	55 00
"	1	"	Hiram H. Dow,	"	15,	8 65
"	4	"	William F. Eaton,	"	16,	215 27
"	1	"	S. G. Norcross, Maps,	"	16,	5 00
"	1	"	Moses L. Bemis,	"	19,	110 00
						$2299 66

Highways and Bridges.

Paid Order	Joseph O. Allard, Labor on Bridge, Dist. No. 13,	$5 00
"	H. B. Cotton, Bridge-plank, Artists' Falls Bridge, Dist. No. 14,	13 00
"	Everett Ela, Carting Iron for Eastman's Bridge,	1 00
"	D. E. Thompson, Labor on Eastman's Bridge,	6 00
"	J. A. Cloutman, Blacksmith, on Eastman's Bridge,	25 09
"	A. A. & J. W. Whitaker, Stone for new Highway, 1877,	49 50
"	Edwin R. Perkins, Labor in Dist. No. 16,	8 75
"	Albra Garland, Labor on Highway, Dist. No. 16,	7 00
"	Frank H. Fifield, Labor on Highway, Dist. No. 13,	3 75

Paid order	C. H. Potter, Stone and Labor, Dist. No. 4,	8 00
"	Henry B. Cotton, Wrench and Iron Bolts for Eastman's Bridge,	3 50
"	H. C. Abbott, Shingles for Bridge,	121 97
"	Oliver Rose, Labor on Highway, Dist. No. 10,	6 16
		$258 72

TOWN AND COUNTY PAUPER BILLS.

Paid Order	Wesley P. Littlefield, Assistance to Herbert L. Leavitt,	10 00
"	L. W. Brock, Clothing for John Sinnott,	6 15
"	Orrin Robertson, Assistance to William Hammond,	3 40
"	Joseph Nute, Wood for Polly Vincent,	24 75
"	V. H. Potter, Board of Herbert Leavitt,	1 10
"	John D. Eastman, Wood for Martha Eastman,	6 75
		$52 15

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Patd Order	John L. Thompson,	Bounty on	1	Hawk,	20
"	Elden Grover,	"	1	"	20
"	Charles Jones,	"	5	"	1 00
"	William H. French,	"	22	"	4 40
"	Ernest A. Davidson	"	2	"	40
"	Charles F. Ela,	"	5	"	1 00
"	Charles E. Parsons,	"	2	"	40
"	Granville H. Floyd,	"	6	"	1 20
"	Alfred Eastman, Damage, horse and carriage, Dist. No. 6,				100 00
"	John A. Lucy, Setting Line Stone, B. & C. Line,				1 75
'	Henry Smith, Bounty on one Bear,				10 00
"	William W. Philbrook, Abatement on Tax, 1880,				1 00
"	Orrin Heath, Bounty on one Bear,				10 00
"	Geo. K. Whitaker, Abatement Tax, 1880,				1 00
"	Bradbury Perkins, Bounty on two Hawks,				40

Paid order	Josiah Weeks and B. D. Eastman, Stone Posts on C. & B. Line,	4 00
"	Freeman H. Mason, Board of Supervisors,	15 25
"	Charles E. Parsons, Bounty on 1 Hawk,	20
"	Lewis Perry, " 3 "	60
"	R. Merrifield, " 4 "	80
"	Albra Garland, Services as Constable, 1880,	2 00
"	Amaziah Littlefield, Watering-trough, Dist. No. 9,	2 50
"	Frank P. Allard, Bounty on one Hawk,	20
"	John Chase, Abatement on Tax, 1880,	1 80
"	F. B. Osgood, Printing Check-list, 1880,	20 00
"	John A. Barnes, Council and Sheriff Fees, A. Whitney,	15 96
"	Ira Garland, Abatement on Tax, 1880,	2 34
"	Richard O. Seavey, Damage on Wagon, Dist. No. 13,	5 00
"	Edson C. Eastman, Record Book and Stationery,	19 62
"	J. A. Carlton, Express Books & Stationery,	4 41
"	H. McNorton, Services as Auditor,	2 00
"	David Wakefield, Watering-trough, Dist. No. 16,	3 75
"	Conway Savings Bank, Interest on Money Loaned Town Treasurer,	12 00
"	Charles F. Morton, Bounty on one Hawk,	20
"	William Hanson, Services as Constable,	2 00
"	John A. Barnes, Expense on Survey of Line between C. & B.,	6 10
"	Barnes & Dow, Watering-trough, Dist. No. 15,	2 50
"	James M. Allard, Services as Constable,	2 00
"	Burges S. Kent, Bounty on Bear,	10 00
"	Samuel Hazelton, Expenses of Selectmen, Postage, and Express,	2 84
"	Charles A. Brotton, Damage to Sheep by dogs,	8 00
"	J. A. Carlton, Board of Selectmen,	20 00

Paid order	R. Merrifield, Damage to Sheep by dogs,	4 00
"	" Bounty on two Hawks,	40
"	William E. Chase, Watering-trough,	2 50
"	" " Board of Selectmen and Supervisors,	20 21
"	Philip Chadbourn, Watering-trough, Dist. No. 2,	2 50
"	George F. Otis, Bounty on two Hawks,	40
"	Mrs. Wm. Seavey, Abatement for Tax, 1880,	11 60
"	Albra Garland, School-house Tax on Echo House, Dist. No. 8,	6 15
"	Curtis Sinclair, Abatement on Tax, 1880,	1 00
		$347 78

Interest on Bonds.

Paid Interest on Bonds,	$42 00

P. & O. Bonds.

Paid Interest due Jan. 1, 1880,	6 00
" " July 1, 1880,	36 00
" " Jan. 1, 1881,	243 00
	$285 00

Interest on Town Notes and Bonds.

Jan. 26, 1881,	Paid F. O. Snow, Town Note,	$1500 00
Feb. 1,	" Frank Carlton, "	100 00
"	" " Interest on above,	30 50
" 7,	" George Wakefield, Town Note,	100 00
"	" " Interest on above,	33 60
"	" " Town Note,	500 00
"	" " Interest on above,	168 00
" 24,	" George P. Stilphen, Town Note,	200 00
"	" " Interest on above,	8 68
		$2640 78
Paid County Treasurer County Tax,		$2117 30
" State Treasurer State Tax, Dec. 10, 1880,		1444 00

Town Officers, 1880.

Paid Albert A. Whitaker,	Services of Supervisor,	$49 00
" Amos A. Merrill,	" "	42 00
" F. B. Osgood,	" "	20 00
" S. G. Norcross,	Services as S. S. Committee,	50 00
" J. A. Carlton,	" Town Treasurer,	12 00
" Fred. W. Morton,	" Town Clerk,	40 00
" C. W. Wilder,	" Town Agent,	34 35
" Samuel Hazelton,	" Selectman,	136 00
" Henry B. Cotton,	" "	119 00
" John A. Barnes,	" "	118 00
" S. B. Shackford,	" "	32 00
		$652 35

Summary, March 1, 1881.

Receipts.	Amount of Cash received,	$10,876 08

Payments.

Paid Arrearges,	$120 26
" School Districts,	2299 66
" Highways and Bridges,	258 72
" Interest on Town Bonds,	42 00
" Interest on P. & O. R.R. Bonds,	285 00
" Town Notes, and Interest on Notes,	2640 78
" County Tax,	2117 30
" State Tax,	1444 00
" Miscellaneous Bills,	347 78
" Town Officers,	652 35
" Town and County Pauper Bills,	52 15
	$10,259 00
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	616 08
	$10,876 08

J. A. CARLTON, *Treasurer.*

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing Acconnts of the Treasurer and find them correctly entered, and vouchers properly filed for the same.

C. W. Wilder,
H. McNorton,
Fred. W. Morton, } *Auditors.*

TABULATED EXHIBIT OF THE SCHOOLS OF THE TOWN OF CONWAY.

DISTRICT.	TERM.	NAME OF TEACHER.	NO. OF SCHOLARS.	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE.	WEEKS OF SCHOOL.	WAGES PER WEEK.	
No. 1.	First	Mary E. Warren	27	20	7	† $3 50	Board given.
" "	Second	" "	30	24	10	3 50	" "
" "	Third	B. Walker McKeen	34	27	12	5 50	" "
" 2.	First	Hannah C. Osgood	12	9	9	4 00	Including board.
" "	Second	" "	13	9½	9	4 50	" "
" 3.	First	Edgar J. Young.	15	11½	13 1-5	8 75	" "
" 4.	"	Susie W. Rounds	26	24	9	5 50	" "
" "	Second	" "	21	20	12	5 50	" "
" "	Third	" "	27		13	5 50	" "
" 5.	First	Samuel D. Stuart	23	22	8 2-5	5 00	Board given.
" "	Second	" "	24	21	17 3-5	5 00	" "
" 6.	First	Abbie M. Dole	30	25	6	6 50	Including board.
" "	Second	" "	29	24	12	6 50	" "
" "	Third	" "	14	11	9	6 50	" "
" 7.	First	Clara Lancaster	8	8	8	5 00	" "
" "	Second	" "	9	8 3-5	10	5 50	" "
" 8.	First	V. C. Wilson	39	31	10	13 75	" "
" "	"	M. E. Crawford	51	35	10	7 00	" "
" "	Second	V. C. Wilson	38	29	10	13 75	" "
" "	"	M. E. Crawford	28	13	10	7 00	" "
" 9.	First	E. A. Hazelton	8	7	10	4 09	" "
" "	Second	" "	8	6	14	4 09	" "
" 10.	First	Martha O. Hobbs	15	14	6	4 33	Board given.
" "	Second	H. B. Thompson	20	17	8	3 50	" "
" "	Third	" "	21	17	10	4 00	" "
" 12.	First	N. J. Hall	13	10	8	5 85	Including board.
" "	Second	" "	7	5	4	5 85	" "
" 13.	First	Sadie O. Mason	39	33	11	6 50	" "
" "	Second	Mary E. Mason	40	30	10	8 25	" "
" "	Third	A. W. Waterhouse	44	34	6 3 5	7 50	" "
" 14.	First	F. M. Tucker	22	20	12	4 00	Board given.
" "	Second	" "	22	18	12	4 00	" "
" "	Third	" "	15	13	4	6 50	Including board.
* " 15.	First	James Wallis	24	20	10	5 00	Board given.
" "	Second	" "	33	25	12	6 00	" "
" "	Third	" "	16	14	6	6 00	" "
" "	Fourth	M. G. Starrett	34	26	11	5 00	" "
" 16.	First	E. A. Wentworth	33	27	10	4 75	Including board.
" "	Second	George F. Nason	30	21	9	7 00	" "
" "	Third	" "	23	17	12	7 00	" "
" 19.	First	S. A. Wentworth	13	12	22	5 00	" "

* First term in No. 15 was paid by private subscription.
† For amount appropriated to each District, and total used during year, see report of Selectmen.

OBSERVATIONS.

A careful examination of the tabulated exhibit of the schools of the town as given in the first page of this report, will enable one to get a good idea of the work accomplished during the year ending March 1st, 1881.

In a few instances these statistics are not perfectly accurate. Teachers otherwise apparently qualified for their duties, seem to have very little idea of filling out a report as required by law in the registers printed by State authority. They stumble over the simplest matters, chiefly averages, and the question of wages, as the State puts the question as to monthly pay, *including board*, while in town reports, and in engaging teachers, reference is usually made to the week. So far as possible these errors have been corrected by personal inquiry, and it is to be hoped few remain.

As a rule the success of our schools has been good. A few teachers have erred by being lax in discipline; and one or two by undue severity. I will not specify cases, as invariably these teachers have made great efforts to impart good instruction to their pupils, thus compensating in a degree for their undue severity or laxity of discipline.

Order and good government are essential to the prosperity of our schools. Not only for the sake of mental improvement, but for the physical and also the moral well-being of the child, justice and firmness on the part of the teacher must be tempered by kindness and consideration for individual cases. On the other hand, considered by itself alone, a school in which the discipline is very lax, and disorder reigns, might as well be closed. But the greatest evil connected with our schools is the summary ejection of a teacher. The next in order is the unjust and undue punishment of a scholar. The terms of our schools are short, and for the sake of teacher and schools, a little patience is useful. If in any department of life forbearance is necessary, it is in connection with our schools. Their im-

portance is so great, and we are not agreed as to their management in every particular. Let us agree to do as well as we can under the circumstances.

But there are some evils around our schools, and in connection with them, which can be done away. The building and premises can be kept neat and clean. Suitable outbuildings can be erected. Too often there is a feature of district school life which is abominable and positively immoral. It originates in a careless neglect of decent sanitary arrangements. The very last visit made by your committee to a school, Feb. 25, was in this way disagreeable, and the offensive smell seems still to be in his nostrils. A cart-load of fine loam, deposited in a box or in barrels for use would make this very odor a valuable article for some farmer. Even the new and elegant school house in No. 8 was rendered offensive in this way, and that too with a pile of coal ashes blowing everwhere but under the buildings where they were needed, close at hand. Such neglect is inexcusable. A word now must be said in this connection. Those new and beautiful school-rooms were suffered to be actually filthy, one of them being unswept for several weeks. What would you think of a commanding officer who cared nothing for the sanitary condition of his men? What sort of a school-room is that which is more neglected than an ordinary stable?

True, in the matter of giving *instruction* these teachers excelled. This was especially true of Mr. Wilson. His examinations showed thorough drill; showed that he is a master in the art of *instructing a class.* One could wish the whole management of the school could be as highly spoken of, and the great error was lack of care of the building, often with fires out and rooms not swept.

Still this school is to be highly commended for the work done in the class. In No. 3 a great deal was accomplished. It reminded one of the old times in the matter of proficiency in arithmetic.

In No. 13 the terms of school taught by Miss Sadie O. Mason and sister were most creditable. Here was neatness and thoroughness in instruction, combined with song and cheefulness making them model terms of school.

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In No. 15 there have been four terms of school, one private and three sustained by public money. Mr. James Wallis, so long a successful teacher in this school, at the close of the fall term found a good situation in Kansas. His place was well filled by Mr. Starrett.

A word of praise ought to be spoken of Mr. Nason's school in No. 16. Other schools might be commended.

Of the large amount of money raised by the town for school purposes, some eight hundred dollars have not been used. This has been due in a measure to sickness in several districts; in others to poor accommodations for schools in cold weather. About one-third more work has been done in our schools than in ordinary years—about one term more added to each district on an average, or an increase in length of terms corresponding to that. One-third more work has been required of your committee. It has been a favorable year in one respect. The same teachers have, as a rule, been employed for several terms.

As to the question of school money, it seems to your committee that if the town will raise a total of $2500, dividing it justly, using as a basis for division those factors considered by law as relating to our schools, our needs will be fully met. If the town were to take no vote on the subject, each district would receive its own, according to valuation. This is common law and the statute of this State. Surely it is not just or right to overlook entirely that which the law of the State, and common justice makes the sole basis of action! There are, however, the other two factors, that of the number of schools to be sustained, and the number of pupils to be taught, which it is but fair to consider. Hence it seems to your committee that a *threefold* basis for division of the school money is every way fair and just.

Respectfully submitted,

S. GIRARD NORCROSS,

Superintending School Committee of the town of Conway.